

INTEROPERABILITY TEST PANEL (ITP) MINUTES
21 May 2004

ITP Meeting 2004-03
Held at the Joint Interoperability Test
Command Test Center, Indian Head, Maryland
0900 Hours, 21 May 2004

1. Members:

Acting Chairperson:	Lt Col Morrow
JS-J6I	Lt Col Morrow
JS-J3	Did Not Attend
USA	LTC Pennington Ms. Jacque Zachgo
USAF	Lt Col Glogowski
USN	CDR Lazarski Mr. Donald Meadows
USMC	Mr. Eldon Perkins Mr. John Linnstaedt
DISA-JITC	Mr. Bob Hickman, Executive Agent Mr. Joe Peeples, Recording Secretary
DIA	Did Not Attend
DISA	Mr. Lyndon Johnson
NSA	Col William Coffey
OSD/DOT&E	Did Not Attend
JFCOM	Did Not Attend
OUSD/AT&L	Did Not Attend
OASD-NII	Mr. Kris Strance Ms. Lylha Cahill
USCG	Did Not Attend

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2. Other Attendees Present:

LTC Michael T Kell, CENTCOM, J6
LTC Phil Viersen, DISA
LTC Cal Bailey, USA
MAJ Brian Burns, USAF
MAJ Pedro Passapera, USA
Mr. Dennis Burns, DISA
Mr. Jerry Eddy, USAF
Mr. George McVeigh, J6I
Mr. John Giorgio JR, USA
Mr. Hayward Hull, JS
Mr. Thomas Peura, USA
Mr. E. J. High, USN
Mr. John Gese, DISA/JITC
Mr. Ed Jones, DISA
Mr. Mike Piatkowski, USA
Mr. Karl Neikirk, DISA
Mr. K. C. McArdle, USAF
Mr. James Aberle, USAF
Mr. Brad Beam, USAF
Mr. Thomas Peura, USA
Mr. E. J. High, USN

3. Lt Col Morrow opened the meeting and conducted personnel introductions. Joe Peebles provided administrative information.

The ITP meeting minutes for 12 March 2004 were presented and approved with one change. It was requested the minutes be revised to reflect discussion of the CJCSI 6212.01C regarding who determines when a system requires recertification. These meeting minutes and the enclosures are at the ITP web site:

<http://jitc.fhu.disa.mil>.

4. Scheduled Business:

a. **Interim Certificate To Operate (ICTO) Briefs:**

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(1) **REDCOM IGX Switch** - LTC Kell provided that CENTCOM has requested the USAF provide their plan for upgrading all REDCOM IGXs used within CENTCOM to the certified version. Since the USAF is the last CENTCOM component to upgrade to the certified version, this plan will determine how long this ICTO needs to remain active. USAF will provide their fielding plan at the 16 July 2004 ITP Meeting. No action was taken at this meeting on extending this ICTO, which does not expire until 31 August 2004. At the July ITP meeting, the ITP will discuss extending this ICTO based on the fielding plans of all the components.

(2) **NC3 Hybrid Solution** - CNO N61 (Mr. E.J. High), stated they were awaiting Joint Staff/J6 approval and they anticipate interoperability certification by 30 September 2004. The ITP approved an ICTO extension through 30 September 2004.

(3) **CFAST** - CFAST Program Manager (CDR John Meissel) stated that CFAST Version 2.0 was still in development and they anticipate fielding version 3.0 by October 2004. The ITP approved an ICTO extension through 30 September 2004. The ITP requested that JFCOM and DISA brief the ITP at the Nov meeting on transition of the PM to DISA and plans for completing interoperability certification for CFAST.

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(4) **IDPX-1000 PBX Switch** - The Air Force (Mr. James Aberle and Mr. Brad Beam), with assistance from JITC (Mr. John Gese), provided a briefing showing that the HF Global Communications System IDPX Switch program is making great progress. Mr. Aberle briefed the overall program and Mr. Gese discussed TDRs and steps taken to correct them. They provided a fielding schedule for installation of fixes. Since it appears the Air Force is on track, the ITP extended the ICTO until 30 November 2004 and requested the Air Force provide an update at the November 2004 ITP meeting showing where they are in this process.

NOTE: During discussion of this ICTO request, a question arose as to whether this was an ITP or an ASD/NII issue. It was decided that under new policy provided in DoDI 8100.3, requests for extensions of existing DSN/DRSN/PSTN related ICTOs should be determined by the ITP and new DSN/DRSN/PSTN related ICTO requests should be processed IAW DoDI 8100.3 and forwarded to ASD/NII for approval.

(5) **MF TDMA DAMA** - CENTCOM briefed the ITP and the ITP determined that the request was for two ICTOs. One for an equipment string using Viasat Linkway satellite modem to extend DSN service over satellite in a bandwidth efficient manner from tier 1 to tier 2 and below. The second is for an equipment

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string using Viasat Linkway and Linkstar satellite modems to extend DISN services (SIPRNET and NIPRNET) over satellite in a bandwidth efficient manner from tier 1 to tier 2 and below. The ITP granted an ICTO for each specified string configuration until 30 November 2004 to allow for completion of requirements documentation and completion of interoperability testing. J6C (Maj. Valdez) will provide a requirements documentation progress update at the 16 July 2004 ITP meeting. CENTCOM/JITC will provide a testing status update at the 16 July ITP meeting.

(6) **MCE V 110.9** - The Air Force requested an extension because the current version is likely to remain in the field until late July or early August 2004. The ITP extended the ICTO through 30 September 2004.

(7) **AN/TYC-24 (V3)** - The ITP extended the current ICTO to allow for completion of interoperability certification. This ICTO was extended until 30 July 2004.

(8) **GCCS-AF** - The Air Force briefed the ITP on the Global Command and Control System - Air Force (GCCS-AF). GCCS-AF requirements documentation is currently being developed and will be provided to the Joint Staff for review and validation. Interoperability certification testing will be conducted IAW the JS approved requirements. Based on this information the ITP granted an ICTO through 30 November 2004 and requested that the

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Air Force provide the ITP with an update at the November ITP meeting in order to extend the ICTO.

(9) **ADTRAN ATLAS 890 Switch** - The ITP extended the current ICTO to expire 30 September 2004 to allow for completion of interoperability certification testing.

b. **JDAM Testing Status Update/Discussion** - Air Force is to coordinate with the JDAM office for certification funding and provide a status update to the July ITP meeting.

c. **USN failure to participate in Tactical Data Link (TDL) Joint Interoperability Tests (JITs)** - USN provided briefing.

Navy participation in JITs has been delayed until Aug 04 because of delays in the latest AEGIS testing events due to problems discovered. Problems were ID'd and have been resolved.

Latest Navy testing began 3 May with AEGIS B/L 6.3 and is scheduled for 3 weeks. Link 16 testing is complete with no show stoppers observed, however, post test analysis will be the final determining answer. Assuming, no issues in post test analysis, AEGIS 6.3 is scheduled to participate in the Aug 04 JIT as the System Under Test.

ACDS Blk 0 v10.26 is scheduled to participate as the System Under Test in the Oct 04 JIT.

Assuming either system successfully completes the JIT, the first opportunity for Navy to be a supporting participant in JIT with a

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certified system will be December 04.

However, the latest Navy plan still doesn't show support for all 6 TDL JITs for FY 05. Funding is the primary issue.

ITP members remarked that Navy upper echelon personnel had expressed an interest in solving this problem. The Joint Staff will continue addressing this issue with CNO.

d. **Expired and soon to expire ICTOs** - The STP expiring ICTO report was provided to members with a request for review and comment on how to resolve the ICTOs that have expired or will expire soon. The Air Force (Lt Col Glogowski) requested the three ICTOs for the Duke Field VoIPNetwork, Cisco Callmanager be extended until 30 September 2004, when it is anticipated that the system will be certified. The ITP extended ICTOs #163, #172, and #195 to expire 30 September 2004.

e. **New Business** - The panel made and accepted a recommendation that presenters of future briefings limit the briefing to no more than eight slides.

f. **Meeting Summary** - The ITP Chairman summarized all actions identified in the above paragraphs. The next ITP meeting will be **Friday, 16 July 2004** starting at 0900 at the JITC, Indian Head, Maryland, Naval Surface Warfare Center.

5. The point of contact and Executive Agent for ITP actions is

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